

## Gallagher Cites Grade Inflation as Major Academic Problem



Dean Gallagher

Photo by J.V.J. Kelly

"The distinction that is shared by 1 out of every 4 students is no distinction" is how Dr. Gallagher, Dean of Academic Affairs, stated his position on the fact that 25% of St. Michael's College was on the May, 1975 Dean's List.

In a recent interview with *The Michaelman*, Dr. Gallagher said that 450 students were academically eligible to make the Dean's List — they had a 3.0 average with no grade below a "B". No congratulatory letters were sent home because of Dr. Gallagher's personal belief that it is no honor to be on St. Michael's Honor Roll.

"Grade inflation is now a characteristic of all academic institutions", responded Dr. Gallagher to the question of how such a large number of students made such "honorable" grades. "C" is an average grade so the majority of students at St. Michael's should have "C"s.

The *Michaelman* asked Dean Gallagher about what measures he planned to take to reduce the "grade inflation".

Last semester we took the first step by distributing a computer printout on the grade distribution of each department (published in the April 21st issue of *The Michaelman*). I then had

a faculty meeting to discuss the problem. Right now we are waiting to see how the grades work out this semester. If there is a significant reduction of inflation the problem will have been solved. If it's here to stay . . .

The *Michaelman* asked Dr. Gallagher if he would raise the cum. to 3.3 or higher in order to combat the situation. He stated that no plan of action had yet been decided upon. However, he was specific in saying "A college is not a shuttle bus to graduate school. Colleges must obviate abuses against the academic system or else you become a diploma mill."

## Kent State: Five Years Later

(CPS) — When national guardsmen killed four students and wounded nine at Kent State University more than five years ago, a new dimension of horror broke into the lives of many Americans, both young and old: the spectre of battle-ready soldiers shooting students on campus.

Ever since that day, in courthouses and jury room, newspaper column and legal brief, the argument has raged as to who, if anyone, was responsible for 13 seconds of fatal gunfire on May 4, 1970.

Did state and guard officials set the stage for the tragedy through a combination of malicious, thoughtless and inept policies and actions? Did guardsmen intentionally fire into the crowd of students following them? Or were dangerous, rioting students unlawfully assembled properly dispersed by soldiers who feared for their own lives?

In what for many culminated the Kent State debate, a \$46 million civil damages suit charging Ohio Gov. James A. Rhodes and 28 present and former state officials and guardsmen with depriving the dead and wounded students of their right to life and liberty went to trial last spring.

On August 27, after 15 weeks of testimony and five days of deliberation, jurors for the case voted 9-3 to absolve the officials and guardsmen of responsibility for the shootings. For those closest to the case, however,

Kent State was not closed.

"Thanks to these jurors, murder by the state is correct," lamented Arthur Krause, whose daughter Allison died at Kent State.

Lawyers for Krause, the families of the three other dead students, and the nine wounded students filed September 13 for a new trial as a first step in appealing the August verdict. Their motion claimed procedural errors by the court and in the judge's charge to the jury.

"Everybody's hands were washed clean (by the jury's verdict), as if there was nothing wrong," said David Engdahl, one of the attorneys for the plaintiffs.

Engdahl said Kent State is cited as the worst example of how to deal with civil disorders by guard officials outside Ohio. "Yet the jury tells us nothing was wrong," Engdahl said. "That just can't be."

Many close to the case looked to the civil trial as a forum where "the truth about Kent State" would finally come out. Yet testimony during the trial was almost always conflicting, especially on major points such as whether the guardsmen's lives were endangered and who was responsible for guard activities on campus.

"Many of the guard were in fear that the crowd would take away their guns and bayonet or shoot them," argued defense attorney Charles Brown. "This was not a Mayday picnic but in-

surrection, rebellion."

"I felt my life was in danger," testified Sgt. Lawrence Schafer. "I saw no necessity to shoot," countered guardsman James W. Ferriss.

Prior to the order to disperse the rally, there was no violence of any kind on May 4 and the rally did not present any danger to any person or property, lawyers for the plaintiffs argued.

They also contended that Gov. Rhodes made inflammatory statements contributing to the atmosphere which spawned the shootings.

Jurors heard a tape recording of a press conference 26 hours prior to the shooting in which Rhodes called those responsible for campus unrest "worse than the brown shirts and the communist element and also the night riders and the vigilantes."

"Kent State has probably the most vicious form of campus

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### Trustees Receive S.A. Gift

At the October 3rd meeting of the Board of Trustees, S.A. president Robert E. Ansheles presented a year's subscription of *The Michaelman* to each Trustee.

The Student Association President later stated that he thought it was in the best interest of all members of the SMC community for the Trustees to know what the student issues were. Mr. Ansheles felt that *The Michaelman* would be one way to keep the Trustees well informed.

## Students lose in food stamp shift

(CPS) — A change in food stamp eligibility requirements scheduled to take effect in many states this fall may cut thousands of students from the food stamp rolls, according to Agriculture Department officials.

An eligibility revision made early last year will bar students from middle and upper-class households from the food stamp program. New Agriculture Department regulations require that students whose parents claim them as income tax dependents be dropped from the program unless their parents are also receiving food stamps.

The ban applies to students more than 18 years old who attend any post-secondary institution and get more than half of their income from a household with too much money to qualify for food stamps.

Accurate figures on how many students will be eliminated by the change in regulations are unavailable, according to department officials, but some non-government studies have shown that "many thousands" of students receive food stamps, officials added.

Although the eligibility change was sent to county and state administrators in February, difficulties in implementing the changes have forced many states to postpone any policy changes until this fall, department officials said.

Food stamp program administrators felt a crack-down was needed, according to Bob Welch, a food program supervisor, because "so many people claimed that college students were abusing the

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## Phase Two

### in Library Security

### Set To Go

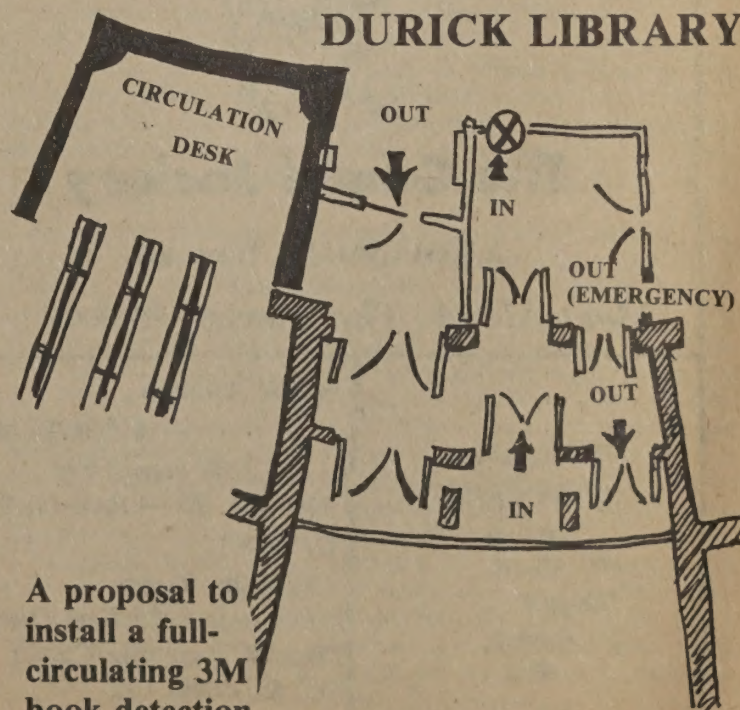
On October 14th Student Association President met with President Moriarty and Mr. Joseph Popecki, Director of the Durick Library, to discuss the implementation of a library security system. In a *Michaelman* interview on the 14th, Mr. Ansheles said:

"Positive action is being taken to set up a viable system to curtail the number of books lost each year."

For several years Director Popecki has been trying to get the 3-M Tattle Tape system installed in Durick. The capital needed to buy the system is not included in the library's budget. Mr. Ansheles commented that Father Moriarty is looking into the feasibility of installing the system. . . . "Father Moriarty is not contesting the need for a workable security system; however, he is concerned about where the money will come from . . ."

At the Wednesday meeting Mr. Popecki presented a 3-point plan leading to the installment of the book detection system. The diagram below depicts the proposal. Stage One, extending the circulation desk out onto the main floor, was completed last semester. Stage Two, setting up a student checker at the exit door, should be set up before January 30. The student checker will manually inspect all bags and bundles which are taken from the library. The center doors will be the entrance. The first set of doors (closest to the circulation desk) will be the exit where the student checker will sit and the last set of doors will serve as an emergency exit.

The final phase of the Library Security System will be the installation of a full circulating 3M book detection system — hopefully completed before September, 1976.



A proposal to install a full-circulating 3M book detection system.

July 1975



EDITORIAL

FOOD DAY

At the October 7 meeting of the Senate, **Food Day** was recognized by the Senate as a campus activity. Linda Bernat, member of Omicron House, presented a plan for a canned food drive throughout the area communities. She explained how different organizations would volunteer students to canvass the residential sections of Burlington, Colchester, and Winooski. The students would ask for donations which would later be distributed to needy families throughout northern Vermont for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Drive, which is planned to take place during the first week of November, will need at least 50 students in order to effectively cover the area.

The **Michaelman** urges each House and campus organization to make this Canned Food Drive one of *their* holiday projects. The only way the necessary manpower will be obtained is through the support of the Houses and clubs. St. Michael's College's student body can make a viable contribution to the community with this Drive.

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Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor

In regard to a letter to the editor written by a Michael S. Haen, in which he states that the purpose of a newspaper is to "report the news" I feel that *The Michaelman* did an excellent job on the article entitled, "Board of Health Reprimands Saga." Mr. Haen, that is precisely what *The Michaelman* did. Thanks to Mr. Bob Nolan and Miss Sullivan, who care enough in their duties as managing editor and editor-in-chief, the entire student body will benefit from their efforts. Had they let Saga continue to operate at a less than adequate level, then they would not have been fulfilling their responsibility to keep the students informed. Their job was such a thorough one that the Board of Health was able to issue Saga 24 demerits. Mr. Haen, would you rather let this go unreported! As for the remark in which you said, "If someone has a gripe, I suggest they talk to a member of the upper echelon," I think you will find that in many cases there will be practically zero results. Miss Sullivan and Mr. Nolan have done everything in their power to make *The Michaelman* a fully informed newspaper that serves the student populous well. What we need is more cooperation from students such as you who, in my opinion, do nothing to contribute to the school newspaper.

*The Michaelman* has come a long way as a school newspaper because of involved people like Sue Sullivan and Bob Nolan who only wish to make St. Michael's College a better place to be. The article on Saga is a primary example of what the students can do when they work together and not in opposition to themselves. You are entitled to your opinion, Mr. Haen, and I respect whatever that may be but I think that it is a shame that you cannot extend the same courtesy to them.

Sincerely,

Dear Madame Editor:

I've only been exposed to the teaching of Dr. Alex Nagy for six weeks. In that short time, he has proven to be a capable journalism instructor.

Dr. Nagy is demanding enough to give the journalism concentrator an idea of the pressures he or she might face in the newspaper business. Still, he makes the student feel comfortable with his low-key approach, and his classroom instruction reveals a concern to produce responsible journalists.

St. Michael's could not have made a better choice to run the journalism department. He is a credit to the college community.

Name Withheld

Dear Editor,

Saga food does more than just serve three meals a day. If you have ever lived off-campus you'll find out that it's often hard to please three or four people all the time. So one can understand Saga when it has to feed 1200 students. There have also been over 300 off-campus meal tickets sold so it can't be all that bad.

Let's take a look at a different perspective of Saga. Have you ever been sick? Have you ever gone hiking or skiing for a day and would like some food to take along. If given notice they will prepare something for you. Have you ever had a party where you could use a grill or a punch bowl? Have you ever been hurt and could use a little ice? Saga will always try and help you out. You may say it's their job to feed you. They do; at the regular meal hours. It's not their obligation to make box lunches but they do.

As I said before, it's not easy to feed 1200 students. The managers are doing their best. They are working to help out the students. So next time if something bothers you go and talk with them. I'm sure you'll find the managers very easy to get along with, generous and most of all devoted to their job.

Michael Noonan

Dear Madame Editor,

As a referee for the intramural football games here on campus, I would like to voice my disapproval of the behavior and actions of many of the teams involved in the program. A case in point is the recent game between Omega and Epsilon. As referee, I incurred excessive complaints, threats, and undue grief.

The role of a referee is to officiate the games so as to prevent injury or unfair victories. The teams involved should realize that any call made by a referee is in the viewpoint of that referee. He is not trying to give a favorable position to one team or another.

The intramural football program has been instituted to give the students the opportunity to have healthy, fun competition among themselves. Unfortunately, many teams feel that if they lose, they will be disgraced and lose face on campus. Therefore, these teams may employ the use of excessive force. It is my hope that the students who get involved in the intramural flag football program will play the game for fun, as it should be played, rather than for ultimate victory at any and all costs.

In reference to the role of the referees, I hope that all teams involved in the program will give the referees a break. It is not easy to call penalties against friends, or in officiating a game. Referees are constantly abused and threatened for calls they make. If this abuse continues, teams will find that referees will not be available to officiate the games. In that case, the intramural program may have to be discontinued. This would be unfortunate, but no person likes to be criticized and put down to the extent that the referees are abused.

It is impossible for all rules to be written down to accommodate any incident that may occur on the football field. Since this is the case, the referees call on certain plays must be accepted since he is the person in charge at the time. Criticism of a call can be tolerated, but not to the degree it has been occurring recently.

I do not want to see the intramural programs discontinued, but if the harassment does not stop, there may not be any referees left to officiate games.

For those students participating in the intramural flag football program I have one question: Would you appreciate being harassed, threatened and degraded as the referees of flag football are?

Sincerely,  
Barry T. Berberich

In Memoriam

Last week Charles Blackman, a member of the class of 1975, was killed in a tragic automobile accident in the State of Montana while en route back to the East Coast.

For those who knew "Gauch", as he was called, he will be greatly missed. His love of life and high spirit touched the hearts of all those around him.

His death will be deeply mourned, but what Gauch gave of himself will live on forever in the hearts and minds of all those who knew him.

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## ATTENTION SENIORS

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, October 22, at Alliot 212 for all seniors on committees or interested in working.

## Jethro Tull gives fine performance at forum

by Neil Callahan

As we were heading up to Montreal to see Jethro Tull, I was sure that they would be playing a lot of the new album, "Minstrel in the Gallery." However, something better awaited us.

At 8:00 Gary Wright and band took the stage for about an hour of keyboard music. I was getting restless and was glad when their set ended. Just after 9:00 the lights went down and Jethro Tull, led by Ian Anderson, appeared.

They began their two hour set with "Thick as a Brick", Anderson on acoustic guitar. A good start to a fine concert. "Minstrel in the Gallery," a new rocker followed. I was now getting into their performance. After this the old favorites began rolling out. Martin Barre playing some fine guitar, John Evan on piano, Barriemore Barlow on drums, and Jeffrey Hammond-Hammond on bass were tight and followed Anderson's lead well.

"Cry You a Song" into "A New Day Yesterday" got the

crowd going. An instrumental "Living in the Past" and a drum solo were followed by "Cross-Eyed Mary", a soft "Skating Away", "Bungle in the Jungle", and an instrumental "Reasons for Waiting."

Also accompanying Tull were four platinum blonde young ladies, three on violin and one on bass.

"War Child" followed with some smoke erupting from the stage. Closing the set was a rousing, tight version of "Aqualung". The encore featured Martin Barre for a five minute solo, then into "Wind-Up" and "Locomotive Breath".

That was it after two hours of good music. Throughout the concert Anderson's flute was wailing as well as Barre's guitar and Evan's piano. Anderson was dressed in purple tights and an old English top. Hammond-Hammond had on a zebra striped suit and bass to match. Evan acted his usual drunken role, stumbling all over the stage. Whatever their act, the music coming out was top quality.

## KENT STATE

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violence and we are going to employ every force of the law that we have under our authority," Rhodes said. "They (the student activists) are the worst type of people we have in America. We will employ every weapon possible."

Rhodes denied his remarks were inflammatory.

In addition, a former guard sergeant testified that Gov. Rhodes told a meeting of officers the day before the shooting that he had gone to Kent to assume full command of law enforcement activities there. According to the sergeant, Rhodes said the guard was in control of the campus, that classes would remain in session "even if it meant keeping an armed guard in each class," and that Rhodes "didn't want to see two students walking together."

Gov. Rhodes denied responsibility for guard activities at Kent, saying the meeting was only for him to gain input from people on the scene. The governor also denied responsibility for the decision to use loaded weapons at Kent, saying the size of state government required that management details be handled by lower-ranking officials.

Other witnesses testified that Rhodes and high-ranking guard

## John Engels presents Works at Vt. Academy of Arts & Sciences

VERMONT WRITERS: 1975

On Saturday, October 18, at a mountain inn some 3,500 feet above sea level, any reader who wishes to may spend the day listening to and talking with a dozen distinguished poets and fiction writers who, as a group, have published over 50 books, won 13 prize awards, received the Prix de Rome and several Guggenheim Fellowships, appeared in numerous anthologies and in every quarterly journal imaginable, as well as such national magazines as *Harpers*, *Esquire* and *The New Yorker*.

The occasion is VERMONT WRITERS: 1975, a symposium sponsored by the Vermont Academy of Arts & Sciences and assisted by a grant from the Vermont Council on the Arts.

According to Academy president George Clay of Manchester, no such gathering of first-rate resident Vermont authors has ever been undertaken before.

It will be held at the Stratton Mountain Inn, is open to the public free of charge, and offers a program that includes morning and afternoon readings, and two mid-afternoon discussion groups: one presided over by the poets, the other by the fiction writers.

Poet and fiction writer David Huddle of Essex Center, an assistant professor of English at UVM who has appeared repeatedly in *Esquire* and who published his first book of short stories last Spring, will chair the symposium.

Listed in alphabetical order, writers participating in the program include:

William Arrowsmith of Lincoln,  
T. Alan Broughton of Burlington  
David Buddbill of Wolcott,  
Hayden Carruth of Johnson,  
Nicholas Delbanco of the Bennington  
Margaret Edwards of Burlington,  
John Engels of Williston, Professor of English at St. Michael's College, who has published two volumes of poetry, is completing a third, and has appeared in quarterlies ranging from *A-Y: The Antioch Review* to *The Yale Review*.  
Richard Grossinger of Plainfield,  
Robert Pack of Cornwall,  
Roger Rath of Johnson  
Ruth Stone of Brandon

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guardsmen be sent to Kent in the first place. This point, too, was contested by a guard officer who said decisions were made jointly by state and university officials.

Such contradictions obviously compounded the difficulty in convincing the jurors that a preponderance of evidence showed the defendants were guilty of negligence.

Lawyer Engdahl said the trial showed the immense difficulty in obtaining a satisfactory verdict when both political considerations and complicated facts applied to a case.

Yet for all the conflicting evidence and buck passing, one officials took control of the Kent campus from school officials

who had not requested fact remained clear for those close to the case — students died that day.

When a U.S. District Court judge issued a verdict of acquittal in an earlier criminal trial of eight guardsmen on a civil rights charge similar to that just tried, Arthur Krause asked bitterly, "How can you kill somebody and not rob them of their civil rights?"

"It's like everything else," Krause added. "Everytime the system starts to work, someone finds a monkey wrench to throw into it."

"In 1970 we shot our own children," said Engdahl. "In 1975 we said, 'It's okay'."

## Ethan Allen Journal

ETHAN ALLEN JOURNAL

Economic Potpourri: W.T. Grant announced its filing of application for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Act. . . they need to reorganize, though business shall carry on. Old "Trust A Rat" H.K. was right about the bonds at 24 . . . chances were that they would never make it . . . but the stock that was once 7/8 was a good steal while it lasted as it hung then clung to the upturn in the market heading out to near 8 3/4 . . . up 1000% . . . but no more.

New York banker Oliver W. Riley, Jr., class of 1975, Saint Michael's College, and late of Springfield, Mass. social scene, claims the financial status of the Big Apple is struggling but making it . . . his status struggling a little bit more. If you are considering living in Connecticut and commuting to the city, from Stamford to New York by train (not a distance by any means), it has been told that it will cost you upward of \$9.00 daily for the round trip . . . at five days a week, simple multiplication tells you your weekly, monthly, and yearly costs just to get to your job. Much better to drive and pool riders for gas money? No way . . . parking your car may cost you as much as seven to ten dollars per day, or more . . . and don't forget the headaches of NYC traffic. But business usually pays well. It's a nice place to visit, but . . .

Thanks to the many readers of the *Michaelman* and millions of students returning to college at the onset of the fall, unemployment dipped a grand .1% last month (September) . . . I fooled them all, though . . . I took the summer off and returned to employment the last of August. My reasoning? Could have been I felt that the loss of student employment might have been traumatic to the economy . . . and I needed to eat. Those who know, know differently.

MCA has been a market maker on the NYSE . . . up from a low near 20 this time last year, it leads all gainers, percentage and otherwise, and may reach the 100 plateau by the turn into 1976. An opinion on that one? Elton John? Who knows? But it looks solid in a shaky trading market like Wall Street ("The Street") . . . at least solid enough for a 300-400% gain in about four quarters . . . pays dividends too!

Speaking of the notorious young banking maven from New York City, last autumn in a stock program entertained by Prof. (Dr.) Amrhein, and the Valuline Survey, Mr. Riley placed 20th out of a total of 21,000 students from 430 participating schools around the U.S. of A. Once again Saint Michael's College has been put on the map ahead of a few more widely-known institutions, e.g., University of Chicago, Notre Dame, Pittsburgh, et. al. Oliver's stock had an average return of nearly 65 1/2%. He's not giving away secrets, nor telling his particular method of selection . . . but if the front-runner from no less than Southeastern Oklahoma State U. (Do they play football there?) chose as SMC's Riley, there is much more truth to the Random Walk theory than anyone ever gave credit.

Just in closing, Ma Bell put more shares on the market to shore up the continuing growth in the communications network. Remember about AT&T growth . . . it may not be as fast as the others, but it always seems to get there. Good management (an old investments secret) does it. Next week we'll explore a new kind of stock ownership which is beginning to revolutionize the corporation.

Business goes on as usual.

—JTW

## Hello LeRoux

by Rene Michael LeRoux

A Whitewash: Kent State 1970-1975

Recently in the Supreme Court of Ohio the final verdict was handed down concerning the Kent State Massacre. The numerous defendants, including Governor James Rhodes, were, of course, acquitted. In a tragedy that resulted in the deaths of four students slain by national guardsmen no one is being held responsible.

It took five years for the courts to decide that the Kent State Massacre was just an unfortunate, even tragic event that should just be forgotten. Perhaps the way we should just forget Watergate, Vietnam and JFK's death?

Well, I can't forget. The parents of a slain student remarked that, "The trial was a complete sham in every respect." So the lives of four people are allowed to be swept under a rug? Four people were murdered not only by national guardsmen but by a total atmosphere of negligence.

The Kent State disaster occurred on May 11, 1970. In the midst of student demonstrations that rocked U.S. campuses, shots were fired by guardsmen who had no right even being at Kent State. It took five years for various officials to pass the buck and now nobody knows who should be blamed. Certainly there is someone responsible who should take a share of the blame!

An appeal will be filed and with some amount of luck there will be a new trial. Perhaps the new trial will bring forth new facts and maybe someone will get their wrists slapped. If Kent State were to happen tomorrow, who is to say that the same result might not occur again? So isn't it about time that the courts should find a suitable answer to the Kent State question? Maybe five years is not enough time, though.

What can happen if people don't take the time to face the Kent State tragedy? What will happen is that organizations like the FBI will question people like Sara Moore and then turn her loose with a gun to try and kill President Ford. Why didn't they take the time to investigate the situation more thoroughly? In situations like this people often do not act until it is already too late, and someone is dead. Only in the case of Kent State no one has yet found a viable solution. What did happen at Kent State could very easily happen again in the future. So rather than forget those who died protesting a war that should have never existed, let us act to prevent further tragedies like Kent State. By taking the time to take an interest in what we believe we can prevent another Kent State from happening in the future.



Vermont Newsfront

VPIRG Defined

Many students, particularly freshmen and transfers, may have questions concerning the organization and funding of VPIRG. Presented below are VPIRG's response to some of the questions most often asked by students:

What is VPIRG?

VPIRG is a student-run, student-funded, research and lobbying organization dedicated towards working for broad social changes in Vermont.

VPIRG was founded in January 1972 by a group of students who had been challenged by consumer advocate Ralph Nader to channel student idealism into social action.

Following Nader's speech, a petition drive conducted at UVM netted 4,100 signatures (over 63% of the student body) in favor of the refundable VPIRG fee. By the summer of 1972 four other colleges had joined VPIRG and a professional staff responsible to a student board of trustees was operating in Montpelier. There are presently seven colleges and university member schools in VPIRG: UVM, Johnson State, Goddard, Trinity, Marlboro, Windham, and Vermont Technical College.

VPIRG's professional staff provides the continuity necessary for successful action by students. In addition, the staff's legal and scientific expertise makes possible effective work on a number of highly complex social issues.

Also many students, working through the student staff coordinators, are able to arrange credit for VPIRG work.

Nearly all of the many VPIRG reports and pamphlets have been researched and designed by students. Working through VPIRG, student activists have produced highly sophisticated research that has resulted in the passage of the nation's first strict nuclear power regulatory bill and a bill guaranteeing dental

care for Vermont's children. Three detailed student reports challenging the Vermont Highway Department's road building philosophy have effectively halted a number of expensive and unneeded roads.

VPIRG offers interested students a view of government that they do not normally get from inside a text book. VPIRG volunteers can become intimately involved in the whole decision making process in the state. Unlike most college papers that end up collecting dust, VPIRG student research is used to make social changes in Vermont.

What Has VPIRG Done?

In its first three years of operation VPIRG has established itself as the most prominent and effective people's lobby in the state. Student action and student research has initiated many changes in Vermont.

During its first four years VPIRG has:

— issued a dental report that led to the passage of an important new law which opened up dental care to many low and middle income Vermonters.

— issued numerous reports on such topics as employment in the ski industry, sex discrimination, electric utility rate structures, and disclosure of bank interest rates.

— wrote and distributed consumer guides on prescription drug prices, mobile home owner rights, food prices, and hearing aids.

— fought against rate increases sought by the New England Telephone Company and various electric utilities.

— issued a report criticizing the State Consumer Fraud Department that the new Attorney General called a "blueprint for change."

— issued a report on the State Air Pollution Section which charged that the state air quality monitoring program was in a shambles and that big industrial polluters were not being prosecuted.

The Michaleman will publish a weekly column on the activities of VPIRG.

On-Campus Activities

Week of October 19-26

Sunday, October 19 — Prayer meeting, 5 p.m., Alliot Faculty Lounge.

X-Country Race on Sunday, October 19.

The race will start from the main campus Athletic Field at 2 p.m. All students are invited to participate.

Tuesday, Oct. 21 — First Aid Class, Alliot 209, 7-10 p.m. Theology Club meeting at 7:30, presentation by Fr. Bryan.

Thursday, Oct. 23 — First Aid Class, Alliot 209, 7-10 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 24 — Dance & Keg Party, North Campus Gym, 8 p.m., sponsored by the class of 1978. Halloween party.

Saturday, Oct. 25 — Slave For a Day festivities.

— Cross-country race, 2 p.m. at the football field; anyone can run.

Wednesday, Oct. 29 — Talent Show, Road Rally in Jeffersonville.

Thursday, Oct. 30 — 6:30 p.m., Facilities Committee meeting. in the faculty lounge.

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Food Stamp Shift

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program. There was so much bad publicity about students that we wanted to do something to assure people that the needy are the people being served by the food stamp program."

Welch said the change was "one way of squelching the idea some people had that food stamps were being abused."

This year's change in eligibility is receiving less opposition than another Congressional restriction passed in 1971 which was designed to eliminate students from the program. That policy change, "written specifically to get at students and eliminate hippies," according to department spokespersons, was struck down by the Supreme Court. The Court ruled that the restriction was too broad, and would cut groups other than students from the food stamp rolls as well.

Students who aren't claimed by their parents as tax exemptions will still receive food stamps if they meet income qualifications. Currently anyone with an adjusted monthly income of \$215 or less is eligible to receive food stamps. Scholarships are deductible if they go to meet educational expenses, and adjustments are made to account for medical costs, rent, child care and other expenses.

A \$1500 limit is set on the amount of liquid and non-liquid assets a food stamp recipient could keep and continue to be eligible. Liquid assets are savings accounts, checking accounts or other readily convertible sources of income. Non-liquid assets could include luxury items, such as a boat, that could be converted into cash less easily.

Students still eligible for food stamps could be left completely out in the cold if a bill introduced by Sen. James L. Buckley (R-NY) is passed. Buckley claimed that students at colleges and other post-secondary institutions are voluntarily unemployed. Going to school should not be considered a substitute for employment, he maintained. Buckley recommended that students be eliminated from the food stamp rolls altogether.

The bill is scheduled for hearings beginning in October, and according to Robert Grippin, a legislative assistant for Buckley, the "bill should not be dismissed" as another piece of legislation what will languish in Congress. Eliminating students from the food stamp rolls has become an "extremely popular" idea in Congress, he said, and warned that the response to the bill "should not be underestimated."

Knights Bow To Panthers

The Knights continued their losing ways this week, but no one can say they did not try. In the Homecoming game against Middlebury they played excellent soccer for two thirds of the game. Mike Kenney scored one of the best goals seen this season when he sent a thirty five yard direct kick over the head of the Middlebury goalie. The Panthers, however, retaliated with two quick goals and led with about twenty minutes left in the game. The Knights were at this point robbed of the tying goal when a Middlebury fullback stopped the ball with his hand in a pileup in front of the Middlebury goal and was not called on the play. This destroyed the momentum of the Knights and Middlebury scored one more time.

The following Wednesday the Knights faced UVM, ranked fourth in New England. As in the Middlebury game the Knights were unbeatable in the first half. Freshman Greg Costes scored early for the Knights and UVM was slow in tying the score. The Knights went ahead again when a UVM fullback headed the ball backwards into his own net. That, however, was the last mistake they made. At the outset of the second half they began to score and by the end of the forty five minutes UVM scored four times and won 5-2.

Last Saturday ended a bad week for the Knights in a bad way. After a four hour ride to North Adams, Ma. the Knights found out they should have stayed in Winooski. They lost to North Adams 5-0.

Food Day Canned Goods Drive

Several campus organizations on campus have joined forces with the Biology Department-Nutrition Class, and are organizing a community-wide day. The high point will be a canned food drive in the residential sections of Burlington, Colchester and Winooski, where canned goods will be collected and eventually be redistributed to underprivileged and aged families throughout northern Vermont.

A great deal of student participation is needed to make this drive a success. Anyone interested in helping out is asked to please contact Linda Bernat, Ryan Hall 253, ext. 312, or sign up with your respective club representative.

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